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¶1. On July 7 poloffs met with Nicaraguan Foreign Ministry Director of Western Hemisphere Affairs Domingo Salinas and U.S. Desk Officer Agnes Alvarado to deliver the points in reftel. Salinas described the North Korean missile launches as "very disturbing" and promised to share the talking points with Foreign Minister Norman Caldera.

¶2. Later the same day, Caldera released a statement noting the Government of Nicaragua's "concern" and called upon the Six Parties to reactivate negotiations and overcome the crisis.

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